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FOR: METHOD FOR THE OLIGOMERISATION OF PEPTIDES

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office action dated September 29, 2000, response due December 29, 2000, here extended three months by simultaneously filed Petition for Extension of Time to be due on March 28, 2001, kindly enter the following amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 2, 3, 6 and 7.

Amend claim 1 as follows.

1. (twice amended) An oligomer which consists essentially of five units wherein each unit comprises a polypeptide oligomerization domain and a domain capable of binding to an acceptor, wherein the oligomerization domain is not an antibody or a functional antibody fragment from a